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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 2137
PATENT**

Attorney Docket No. 09812.0590-00000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Taizo SHIRAI et al.)	Group Art Unit: 2137
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Application No.: 09/982,711)	Examiner: Nadia Khoshnoodi
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Filed: October 18, 2001)	Confirmation No.: 8666
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For: INFORMATION RECORDING)	Mail Stop AF
DEVICE, INFORMATION)	
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed April 26, 2006, with a period for response extending through July 26, 2006, Applicants request the Examiner's reconsideration in view of the remarks that follow:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.